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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Broadband competition is critical because big companies tend to charge more money for a lesser product. My office uses more than one internet company. This works well for us because we have one account with the big company, Comcast, which tends to go out quite frequently. Then we have a smaller company for our phone system which we also have our internet roll over to when Comcast goes out.

This means if smaller companies no longer exist we will have to rely strictly on the larger ones that, as mentioned, go out quite often. If that happens our whole office will be down for hours or day(s) before we can be up and running again. This could severely hurt our business.

Please DO NOT end broadband competition by ending regulated wholesale access to the Unbundled Network Elements of the Telephone Network which will shut off access to the Public Switched Telephone System for small broadband companies.

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